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Moya Thompson
White House Conference on Aging
4350 East-West Highway, 3rd Floor
Bethesda, MD 20814

Dear Ms. Thompson:

Attached is the final report on the Mental Health and Aging Summit, **“Visions for Kansas: Older Adults at the Crossroads.”** The Kansas Mental Health and Aging Coalition sponsored this event as a pre-conference event to the Governor’s Conference on Aging Services held on May 3, 2005 in Topeka, Kansas. It was designated as an Independent Aging Agenda Event.

The summit’s agenda centered on the issues of “Our Community” and how we can transform mental health services to improve access and increase mental health services for older adults in Kansas. This topic is one of Kansas’ top priorities for improving the quality of life for older adults who live in our state.

I am looking forward to attending the White House Conference on Aging in December. Planning for the future of our aging society can not to be taken lightly. As with past White House Conferences, the direction and decisions made there have a far reaching impact. I am honored to be part of this important event. If you need further information or clarification on our report, please let me know.

Sincerely,

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Secretary

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